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SUBJECT: TOPICS FOR PRESIDENTIAL MEETING: MEXICAN INTEREST IN
INTERNATIONAL PRODUCERS' CARTELS.

PRESIDENT FORD MAY WISH TO RAISE WITH PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA
THE SUBJECT OF "COMMON EXPORT MARKETING STRATEGY" (READ
PRODUCERS' CARTELS) IN WHICH MEXICO HAS SHOWN PARTICULAR
INTEREST IN RECENT MONTHS (E.G. COFFEE, HARD FIBERS, --
SEE DAR ES SALAAM 3408 -- AND, TO A LESSER DEGREE, PETROLEUM).
PRESIDENT MAY WISH TO INFORM PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA THAT
U.S. IS UNFAVORABLY DISPOSED TO CREATION OF CARTELS, WHICH
EXACERBATE INTERNATIONAL TRADE RELATIONS, AND COULD EVEN
AFFECT U.S.A-MEXICAN TRADE RELATIONS WERE MEXICO TO PAR-
TICIPATE. FOR EXAMPLE, PROVISION NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION
IN TRADE REFORM ACT WOULD BAR PRODUCER CARTEL NATIONS
FROM PARTICIPATING IN GENERALIZED PREFERENCES FOR LDCS.
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